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DATA EVALUATION RECORD
§ 72-2 - ACUTE EC₅₀ TEST WITH A FRESHWATER INVERTEBRATE

1. **CHEMICAL:** Metolachlor PC Code No.: 108801
2. **TEST MATERIAL:** CGA-354743 (metolachlor metabolite)- 95% pure
3. **CITATION:** Author: C. Neumann
Title: Acute Toxicity Test of CGA 354743 (Metabolite of CGA 24705) to the Cladoceran *Daphnia magna* STRAUS Under Static Conditions
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6. **STUDY PARAMETERS:**
Age of Test Organism: <24 hours
Definitive Test Duration: 48 hours
Study Method: Static
Type of Concentrations: Mean measured
7. **CONCLUSIONS:** This study is scientifically sound and fulfills the guideline requirements.
The 48-hour EC₅₀ value of >108 ppm ai classifies the test material as practically non-toxic to *Daphnia magna*.

Results Synopsis:
EC₅₀: >108 ppm ai 95% C.I.: N/A
Probit Slope: N/A NOEC: 108 ppm ai



8. ADEQUACY OF THE STUDY:**A. Classification:** Core**B. Rationale:** N/A**C. Repairability:** N/A**9. GUIDELINE DEVIATIONS:**

1. The hardness of the medium (234 mg/L as CaCO_3) was greater than the recommended maximum (200 mg/L as CaCO_3).
2. Temperature was only measured at test initiation and termination. Guidelines require hourly measurement for test systems controlled by room temperature.
3. Mortality during acclimation period not reported.

10. SUBMISSION PURPOSE:**11. MATERIALS AND METHODS:****A. Test Organisms**

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
Species Preferred species is <i>Daphnia magna</i>	<i>Daphnia magna</i>
All organisms are approximately the same size and weight?	Not reported
Life Stage Daphnids: 1 st instar (<24 h).	1 st instar (<24 h)
Supplier	In-house cultures
All organisms from the same source?	Yes

B. Source/Acclimation

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
Acclimation Period Minimum 7 days	Culture and testing conditions were similar.

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
Wild caught organisms were quarantined for 7 days?	N/A
Were there signs of disease or injury?	Not reported
If treated for disease, was there no sign of the disease remaining during the 48 hours prior to testing?	Not treated for disease
Feeding No feeding during the study.	No feeding performed during the study
Pretest Mortality No more than 3% mortality 48 hours prior to testing.	Not reported

C. Test System

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
<u>Source of dilution water</u> Soft reconstituted water or water from a natural source, not dechlorinated tap water.	Elendt's M-4 medium
Does water support test animals without observable signs of stress?	Yes
<u>Water Temperature</u> Daphnia: 20°C Amphipods and mayflies: 17°C Midges and mayflies: 22°C Stoneflies: 12°C	22°C
<u>pH</u> Prefer 7.2 to 7.6.	8.2 - 8.4
<u>Dissolved Oxygen</u> Static: ≥ 60% during 1 st 48 h and ≥ 40% during 2 nd 48 h, flow-through: ≥ 60%.	≥97% of saturation
<u>Total Hardness</u> Prefer 40 to 200 mg/L as CaCO ₃ .	234 mg/L as CaCO ₃

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
<u>Test Aquaria</u> 1. <u>Material:</u> Glass or stainless steel. 2. <u>Size:</u> 250 mL (daphnids and midges) or 3.9 L (1 gal). 3. <u>Fill volume:</u> 200 mL (daphnids and midges) or 2-3 L.	Glass 150-mL 100 mL
<u>Type of Dilution System</u> Must provide reproducible supply of toxicant.	N/A
<u>Flow Rate</u> Consistent flow rate of 5-10 vol/24 hours, meter systems calibrated before study and checked twice daily during test period.	N/A
<u>Biomass Loading Rate</u> Static: ≤ 0.8 g/L at $\leq 17^{\circ}\text{C}$, ≤ 0.5 g/L at $> 17^{\circ}\text{C}$; flow-through: ≤ 1 g/L/day.	1 daphnid/20 mL
<u>Photoperiod</u> 16 hours light, 8 hours dark.	16 hours light, 8 hours dark
<u>Solvents</u> Not to exceed 0.5 mL/L for static tests or 0.1 mL/L for flow-through tests.	Solvent: none Maximum conc.: N/A

D. Test Design

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
<u>Range Finding Test</u> If $\text{EC}_{50} > 100$ mg/L, then no definitive test is required.	Concentrations were selected based upon a range finding test
<u>Nominal Concentrations of Definitive Test</u> Control & 5 treatment levels; a geometric series with each concentration being at least 60% of the next higher one.	Control, 10, 18, 32, 58, and 100 mg/L, not corrected for active ingredient (ai)

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
<u>Number of Test Organisms</u> Minimum 20/level, may be divided among containers.	20, 5 per replicate
<u>Test organisms randomly or impartially assigned to test vessels?</u>	Yes
<u>Water Parameter Measurements</u> 1. <u>Temperature</u> Measured continuously or, if water baths are used, every 6 h, may not vary $> 1^{\circ}\text{C}$. 2. <u>DO and pH</u> Measured at beginning of test and ever 48 h in the high, medium, and low doses and in the control.	Temperature was measured at initiation and termination in the control and each treatment group. DO and pH were measured at initiation and termination in the control and each treatment group.
<u>Chemical Analysis</u> Needed if solutions were aerated, if chemical was volatile, insoluble, or known to absorb, if precipitate formed, if containers were not steel or glass, or if flow-through system was used	Samples of the exposure solutions were taken at time 0 and at termination. Samples were analyzed by HPLC.

12. REPORTED RESULTS:

A. General Results

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
Quality assurance and GLP compliance statements were included in the report?	Yes, but compliance was to Swiss and OECD GLPs
<u>Control Mortality</u> Static: $\leq 10\%$ Flow-through: $\leq 5\%$	No immobilization in the control group
Percent Recovery of Chemical: 1) % of nominal; 2) Procedural recovery; 3) Limit of quantitation (LOQ)	100-109% of nominal, proc. recovery of 98%, LOQ = 0.1 mg/L

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
Raw data included?	Yes

Analytical results

Nominal concentration (ppm)	Measured concentration (ppm ai)	
	Hour of Study	
	0	48
Control	<0.1	<0.1
10	10.4	10.3
18	18.7	18.5
32	34.0	34.9
58	57.9	58.9
100	108	109

Immobilization

Concentration		Number of Organisms	Cumulative Number Immobilized	
Nominal (ppm)	Mean Measured (ppm ai)		Hour of Study	
			24	48
Control	<0.1	20	0	0
10	10	20	0	0
18	19	20	0	0
32	35	20	0	0
58	58	20	1	1
100	108	20	0	0

Other Significant Results: The immobility noted at the 58 ppm ai treatment level was not believed to be due to treatment.

B. Statistical Results

Method: visual interpretation (based on nominal conc.)

48-hr EC₅₀: >100 ppm 95% C.I.: N/A
Probit Slope: N/A NOEC: 100 ppm

13. **VERIFICATION OF STATISTICAL RESULTS:** Lack of dose response precluded the use of statistics

Method: visual interpretation (based on mean measured conc.)

48-hr EC₅₀: >108 ppm ai 95% C.I.: N/A
Probit Slope: N/A NOEC: 108 ppm ai

14. **REVIEWER'S COMMENTS:** This study is scientifically sound, fulfills the guideline requirements, and can be classified as **Core**. The 48-hour EC₅₀ was determined to be >108 ppm ai, which classifies the test material as practically non-toxic to *Daphnia magna*.